

On one special occasion, former Senator Bob Dole of Kansas stopped in and spent several hours talking to veterans, exchanging stories and tales and reminiscing with his fellow brothers-in-arms. Pat's Coffee Shop has had a number of visitors. I've visited a number of times.

But Richard didn't stop there. Richard founded also the Welcome Home Veterans, a local nonprofit group. He would actively help veterans find jobs in the community and could have been considered an unofficial veterans case-worker for my office and for Senators' offices as well. Richard frequently contacted my office on behalf of veterans who had challenges, who had problems, but there wasn't anything Richard would do or wouldn't do to help a fellow veteran.

So it's a little wonder that those who knew Richard Warren best called him a true patriot. In fact, I've got a picture of a young Richard Warren, he couldn't have been more than 3 years old, sitting in front of a stoop in front of his boyhood home with a big backdrop of an American flag. It's a black and white photo that I've got hanging in my office to this day, and I will continue to have hanging on my wall. It's a true young patriot there, and it's really wonderful American history. And I honor Richard by keeping that on my bookshelf and in my office.

Now, I was proud to visit Pat's Coffee Shop on a number of occasions and to call Richard Warren a friend. I look forward to returning to Pat's Coffee Shop not only to honor the veterans but to honor Richard Warren. Our Nation has lost a hero, a man who served his country and more and then made his life's work that of service to his fellow man.

Richard Warren will be missed by many. He will be missed by the young and old alike, veterans and those who didn't have the honor of serving will miss him as well.

On this Memorial Day, we honor our veterans, the fallen, and I honor of Richard Warren. And I know when he was greeted at the Pearly Gates, he got a solemn and heartfelt "welcome home."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. QUIGLEY addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. MORAN of Kansas addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. SCHIFF) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. SCHIFF addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. FOXX addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. McCOTTER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. McCOTTER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. BILBRAY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BILBRAY addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. PAULSEN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PAULSEN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### BAILOUT FEVER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATOURETTE) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. LATOURETTE. Madam Speaker, I thank you for the recognition, and I want to thank Leader BOEHNER for granting me the leadership hour on our side to share some thoughts this evening with you, Madam Speaker.

As the Speaker's well aware, our economy is in pretty tough shape, and people all over the country are suffering. But despite the fact that people continue to suffer, there is sort of this bailout fever here on Capitol Hill, and it's not uncommon for me to go home to Ohio and have somebody come up to me on the street and say, Hey, where is my bailout like the guys on Wall Street and like many others? Literally billions and billions of dollars. Taxpayer dollars. People get up, work hard, pay their taxes just trying to raise their kids and keep a roof over their head. Billions and billions of dol-

lars have been sent out in these bailouts.

And we have come to the floor on a pretty regular basis to talk about AIG, the insurance giant on Wall Street, that, to date, has received about a \$185 billion of taxpayers' money in the form of a bailout. We were told that they are too big to fail, and quite frankly, even though I happen to be a Republican, this started on the former President's watch when his Secretary of the Treasury, came to us and said, If you don't give us \$700 billion, here's a three-page bill, if you don't give us \$700 by the end of the week, we're going to have a collapse. And sadly, in my opinion, some Members of this body abdicated their responsibility of oversight and bum rushed \$700 billion to Wall Street.

But a funny thing happened in that bill that has caused some in this House some chagrin and has led us to come to the floor on a regular basis and talk about a game that's pretty well known by most people in America. It's a game I loved playing as a kid. It's a game I continue to love playing with my kids called Clue made by Hasbro.

And the reason we bring Clue to the floor and have is that in the conference, first of all, is this \$700 billion—have to fast forward to the President's stimulus request earlier this year. As this bill was being crafted, there was an amendment placed into the stimulus package that said that you know what, we've given billions and billions and billions of dollars to these Wall Street firms, but perhaps we should put some conditions, or strings, on the multimillion-dollar bonuses that are being paid out to these folks.

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And the amendment was put in over in the other body, in the United States Senate, by a Democratic Senator, Senator WYDEN from Oregon, and a Republican Senator, Senator SNOWE from Maine. And that was in the bill. It wasn't in the House bill; it was in the Senate bill.

So you get together in a conference report. Madam Speaker, you know, but some folks don't necessarily know, that when the House and Senate pass a separate version of a bill, we have to have a conference committee. And the conference committee works out the details and then that conference report is brought back to both Chambers for a vote on the conference report.

Well, in the conference committee somehow the Snowe-Wyden language that indicated that we were going to put some restrictions on these multimillion-dollar bonuses—multimillion-dollar bonuses to AIG and other executives, that language was taken out and, over on the second easel, this language, subparagraph (iii), was inserted.

And this language, Madam Speaker, not only removed the Snowe-Wyden language, it put in these about 40 words that specifically protected the bonuses paid to AIG executives and other executives on Wall Street who had received, again, billions of dollars of